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1. THE EAST JAVA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE HAS PROVIDED
THE CONSULATE THE FOLLOWING STATISTICAL BREAKDOWN OF CROP-
LANDS DAMAGED IN THE 3 EAST JAVA KABUPATENS MOST AFFECTED
BY RECENT FLOODS:

(IN HECTARES)

CROPS	TUBAN	BOJONEGORO	LAMONGAN	TOTAL
RICE	6,274.81	4,261.5	16,689	27,225.31
CORN	11,904.55	16,738	12,839	41,481.55
CASSAVA	92		347	439
SOY BEAN	25		292	317
PEANUTS	48		286	334
SWEET POTATO	11		581	592
LOMBOK (PEPPERS)			387	387
OTHERS	3,174	475	3,649	
TOTAL	18,355.36	24,173.5	31,896	74,424.86

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2. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT FIGURE OF 74,424.86 HECTARES IS
LESS THAN 10 PERCENT OF THE 757,738 HECTARES FIGURE REPORTED IN
PRESS DURING THE COURSE OF THE ACTUAL FLOODING (REF D).
CONFIRMING OUR REPORTED IMPRESSIONISTIC VIEW THAT THESE 3
KABUPATENS DO NOT REPRESENT KEY RICE PRODUCING AREAS, THE
STATISTICS WE HAVE SHOW THAT 27,205.31 HECTARES OF DAMAGED
RICE-LANDS CAN BE COMPARED WITH TOTAL AREA OF 1,247,000

HECTARES OF IRRIGATED RICE FIELDS FOR THE WHOLE PROVINCE,
OR ABOUT 2 PER CENT.

3. THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT SAYS THAT THERE WAS
NO DELAY IN REPLANTING AFTER THE FLOODS RECEDED. THE
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT BEGAN IMMEDIATELY TO REHABILITATE
DAMAGED CROPLANDS. AS REPORTED REF A, PROVINCIAL OFFICIALS
REMAIN OPTIMISTIC ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR GOOD, ALTHOUGH POSSIBLY LATE,
HARVEST THIS YEAR.
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